THE WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL CLUB LIBRARY

The proposal that the Wilson Ornithological Club establish a library was first made by Frank C. Pellett of Hamilton, Illinois, and was brought before the annual meeting of the Club in Ann Arbor in 1928. A committee consisting of T. C. Stephens, Frank C. Pellett and Myron H. Swenk was appointed to consider the matter, and after two years of study and negotiations an agreement was signed by officers of the Wilson Club and the University of Michigan, establishing the Library in the University Museum of Zoology (Wilson Bulletin, 43, 1931:77–78). In a report of the Committee made in March, 1931, a request was made for gifts of reprints, periodicals, books, or entire libraries dealing with ornithology and related subjects; according to the agreement these were to be catalogued, filed, and kept as a unit among the book collections in the Museum. The library was to be open to the staff of the Museum of Zoology and to members of the Wilson Club in Ann Arbor; transportation costs one way were to be paid by the Museum on items borrowed by other members.

The growth of the library has been steady; from a mere yard of books on a shelf, the books and reprints have come to occupy twenty-eight feet of shelf space, and the periodicals about thirty-five feet. Books, reprints, and serials have been contributed; and fifty-five periodicals are currently received as gifts and in exchange for *The Wilson Bulletin*. A catalogue of about two thousand cards covers the main items, and a book plate, designed by George Miksch Sutton, marks

each bound volume.

According to agreement, a catalogue (or list) of the items in the Library was to be prepared by the Museum and published by the Wilson Club for the information of the members. Since the manner of listing was a little uncertain, I volunteered to prepare a preliminary list for publication in the Bulletin. A complete list of all items, including reprints, would require about forty pages of fine print. Whether this will be prepared later by the Museum and published separately, or in the Bulletin, will depend on the wishes of the members, their response to this preliminary list, and the availability of the required funds. To make such a catalogue would require considerable work, and should not be undertaken until normal times, when ample help can be secured. I hope that the present list will be helpful to members in using the library. Members are invited to send inquiries about particular reprints desired, later accessions, or other details. All communications should be addressed to "The Wilson Club Library, Museum of Zoology, Ann Arbor, Michigan."

I hope that contributions to the Library will continue as they have in the past, and I shall be glad to have suggestions from members of the Club concerning

the improvement of the Library and its facilities.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE, Harry W. Hann, Chairman

The following gifts have been received recently:

R. M. Barnes: 725 periodicals Frances Hamerstrom: 37 periodicals Harry W. Hann: 1 book Thomas D. Hinshaw: 1 book Verna R. Johnston: 10 reprints George A. Petrides: 2 pamphlets Alma H. Prucha: 34 periodicals A. W. Schorger: 1 reprint O. A. Stevens: 3 reprints



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